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HE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

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Appln. No.: 08/397,320

Group Art Unit: 1813

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For: METALLOPROTEDNASE INHIBITOR

October 2, 1996

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF ABANDONED APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.137(b) AND STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.137(b) (3)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to revive the above-referenced patent application, for the following reasons:

- 1. The above-referenced patent application, U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/397,320, was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 2, 1995 in the names of Keith E. Langley, Yves A. DeClerck and Thomas C. Boone.
- 2. The Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney form appointed four patent attorneys from Amgen Inc. to prosecute the patent application.

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LANGLEY ET AL. - U.S. PATENT APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 08/212,660 3. On February 15, 1995, an Official Action was mailed to Amgen Inc. in Thousand Oaks, California. On June 28, 1996, an attorney from Amgen Inc. filed an Associate Power of Attorney form in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office which appointed the undersigned and Mr. Watson T. Scott of the law firm of Bell, Boyd & Lloyd in Washington, D.C. as associate attorneys in this application. On July 3, 1996, Amgen Inc. transferred responsibility for the prosecution of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/397,320 to the law firm of Bell, Boyd & Lloyd. In the process of transferring this application from Amgen Inc. in Thousand Oaks, California to Bell, Boyd & Lloyd in Washington, D.C., the timely filing of a response to the Official Action of February 15, 1996 was missed. The delay caused by the failure to respond to the Official Action of February 15, 1996 was unintentional on the part of Applicants, Amgen Inc. and Bell, Boyd & Lloyd. In addition to the statement in paragraph 7 above, this Petition is accompanied by: a proposed response to continue prosecution of the a) application; and the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m). This Petition is being filed within six months of the date on which the application became abandoned. - 2 -

LANGLEY ET AL. - U.S. PATENT APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 08/212,660 In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 08/397,320 be revived and prosecution continued. Respectfully submitted, BELL, BOYD & LLOYD Danze J. Picciano Reg. No. 33,543 BELL, BOYD & LLOYD 1615 L Street, NW P.O. Box 65331 Washington, DC 20035-5331 Tel.: (202) 466-6300